(b) if so, what is the agenda and scope of this economic zone?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK): (a) There is no such proposal under consideration of the Government.

(b) Does not arise.

Khosla Commission

†1093. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the recommendations of Khosla Commission with regard to Delhi Police and those recommendations which have not been implemented till date;

(b) whether Government's attention has been drawn towards the Survey report conducted by an institute of psychiatrist "Nimhans" situated in Bangalore;

(c) if so, steps taken by Government till date to make personnel of Delhi Police tension free and the results thereof; and

(d) whether Government propose to take some special steps keeping in view the deplorable condition of Police personnel; if so, by when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK): (a) The Khosla Commission appointed by the Government in 1968 had made wide ranging recommendations covering various facets of the functioning of Delhi Police including housing, medical and educational facilities to its personnel; introduction of the Commissioner of Police System in Delhi; District Police Administration; placing the prosecution staff under the administrative control of Delhi Police; investigation of cases; supervision, recruitment and promotions; training and public relations. Most of these recommendations were accepted and implemented either fully or partially. The major recommendations which could not be implemented related to provision of family accommodations for all the police personnel; placement of prosecution staff under Delhi Police; amendment to the Indian Evidence Act; appointment of policemen on part-time basis; setting up of mobile courts to try the accused on the spot; legal impediments; Police Stations;

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Traffic Police; working of the Police Station; prosecution of cases; and Police Training School.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) The steps taken by the Government to improve the working conditions of the Delhi Police personnel include taking precaution not to put the staff on duty for more than 12 hours in a day; ensuring one day's rest to each and every police personnel in two weeks time; inclusion of training programme on the behaviour of police personnel in the basic training course and the unit level courses; purchase of ready built flats for residential purposes; holding of Sampark Sabha at Police Stations to redress the grievances of police personnel; time bound clearance of dues like medical claims, leave travel concession, travelling/ daily allowance, etc.; restoration of casual leave entitlement at a higher level; and sanction of monthly ration money to sub-ordinate police personnel.

Softening of LoC for people to people contact

1094. SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Chief Minister of J and K had suggested recently for "softening" the LoC for people to people contact in J and K where families were divided in the aftermaths of the partition and the creation of the LoC; and

(b) if so, Government's stand in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) The Government are aware of certain reports in the media during the first half of May, 2003 about such Statement made by the Chief Minister of Jammu & Kashmir.

(b) Government have always supported greater people to people contacts between India and Pakistan. On July 9, 2001 Government had indicated willingness to consider several proposals for easing travel restrictions between the two countries including through additional check posts in Rajasthan-Sindh border and at designated points along the International Border and the LoC in Jammu and Kashmir.